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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of reference numbers 17 and 18 are also submitted herewith. Copies of reference numbers 1-16 and 19-23 were previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement and/or Office Action, directed to the related application Serial Number 09/126,705, filed July 30, 1998, and, accordingly, copies are not included herewith. This protocol conforms with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d)

and M.P.E.P. 609(A)(2). The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record in the application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within three months of the application filing date or before mailing of a first Office Action on the merits; accordingly, no fee or separate requirements are required.

I hereby certify that no item of information was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the best of my knowledge after making a reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants would appreciate the Examiner initialing and returning the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

The information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is to the best of my knowledge and is not to be construed as a representation that: (i) a complete search has been made; (ii) additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist; (iii) the information, protocols, results and the like reported by third parties are accurate or enabling; or (iv) the above information constitutes prior art to the subject invention.

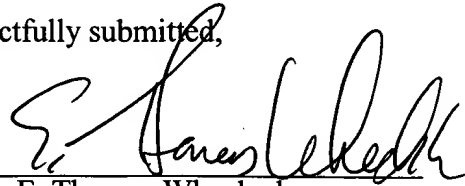
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